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Attention: Dana Dean, P.E.

Re: Tentative Approval to the Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations, Utah Alunite Corporation, Blawn Mountain Mine, M/001/0082, Beaver County, Utah

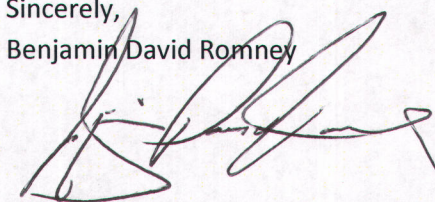
Dear Ms. Dean:

As opposition to land and resource development tends to be outspoken on these matters, I wanted to ensure that my voice on this matter was heard and accounted for. To this end, I want to voice my support to approve the Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations for the Blawn Mountain Project. The Project will create new, well-paying jobs in Beaver and Iron Counties as well as growth opportunities for mine supply companies in the Salt Lake Valley and beyond. The resource to be mined has a 40-year life of mine that will provide long-term job growth, economic diversification in rural Utah. There will be positive economic benefit to Utah businesses statewide.

Since the project will have little impact on the environment in an area of the State where mining is one of the highest economic uses of land, the State should vigorously support this project.

I am proud to have been born and raised in the great state of Utah, and I cherish our rich heritage, work ethic, and values. I see this project as a reflection of this. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the value and need for this project.

Sincerely,  
Benjamin David Romney



General Manager, Wheeler Mining Systems